

Fire Services in Lake County Survey

Fire Department: Groveland Fire Department

Demographics

What is your jurisdiction's population?	7612
What source did you use to determine the population?	US Census 2009 Estimate
What is your coverage area in square miles?	20 in City Limits; 34 in County Coverage Area
How many stations does your jurisdiction have?	2
What is your ISO rating?	6 City; 5/9 in MPO (County coverage area)
Comments: Many things need to be considered such as geographical peculiarities when comparing agencies.	

Personnel

What is the total number of personnel in your department? <i>(Including administrative, fire prevention personnel, etc.)</i>		19
How many hours per year do your shift personnel work?		2912 24/48 shifts
What is your minimum staffing for shift personnel per shift?		6 scheduled, 5 minimum
How many of your personnel are paid paramedics?		4
Breakdown of total personnel by rank. Describe what each rank does.		
Rank	Total Number	Brief Description
Chief	1	Administrative, incident command as needed, fire prevention, investigation
Lt	3	Shift commander, acts as battalion chief, fire prevention
Lt/FF/Paramedic	1	EMS coordinator, firefighting, patient care, EMS quality control, shift commander as needed
FF/Paramedic	3	Firefighting, ALS patient care
FF/EMT	11	Firefighting, BLS patient care
Comments:		

Call for Service Data - Please provide the following information for the calendar year 2010

Total Number of Medical Calls	736 in City 361 in County	
Total Number of Non-Medical Calls	281 in City 411 in County 75 mutual aid - medical and non-medical	
Average Response Time	4.5 minutes	
List the services your department offers: <i>Examples include- ALS services, trench rescue, dive team, hazmat, high angle, vehicle extrication, etc.</i>	ALS, Dive team, vehicle extrication, fire prevention	
List the <u>major</u> risks in your jurisdictions. <i>If an event occurred, it would considerably tax your resources, or would be considered a major hazard</i>		
Special Events	Medical Facilities	Government/Industrial
July 4 celebration	So. Lake Medical Health Center	Howard Fertilizer Plant
		Bio-diesel Plant

Operations

List total number of Apparatus and Vehicles (Staffed, not staffed, or reserve?)		
Type of Apparatus/Vehicle	Total Number	Staffed, Not Staffed or Reserve
Engine	2	Staffed
Engine	1	Reserve
Brush Truck	2	Non-staffed
Boat	1	Non-staffed
Command pickup	1	Staffed
Utility Pickup	1	Non-staffed
Comments: Non-staffed units may be put into service in-place-of, or with staffed apparatus, depending on type of call and personnel on duty.		
List Interagency Agreements		
Type of Agreement	With which Agency	
Automatic mutual aid	Mascotte	
Automatic mutual aid	Minneola	
Mutual aid	Clermont	
Contractual mutual aid	Lake County	

Comments: County compensates the City to cover a portion of the County area. In effect it is automatic mutual aid

Budget - Please provide the following information for the Budget Year 2010/2011

What is the total Fire/Rescue Budget?	\$1,298,800 operating budget \$137,000 Capital expenses
What percentage of the total jurisdiction budget is Fire/Rescue?	8.3% of general fund
What is budgeted for training? <i>Include fire training courses, college classes, EMS contracted courses, etc.</i>	\$5,000
What are the average total hours of training per person per year? <i>Include in-house training hours as well.</i>	343
How is your budget funded? <i>Tax ad valorem, Fire Assessment, LSEMS etc.</i>	Ad valorem, LSEMS MSTU share, County contract
What avenues do you use when purchasing equipment, uniforms, apparatus or any other major purchases? Competitive bid; piggyback on other contracts; state contract; generally shopping for the best price (internet, local vendors) on smaller items	
In the next five years, how many stations, additional personnel and apparatus is being planned?	none

Comment on how the fire service in Lake County can be more cost effective and provide quality service.

The contracts between Lake County and the cities of Groveland and Mascotte are the most obvious example of making the service more cost effective. It makes little sense to fund the cost of additional personnel, equipment, and operating expense when it would be cheaper to contract with and compensate (reimburse) another agency that is already established in and able to provide coverage in areas where stations are or would be in close proximity to one another.